

**THE LOUISIANA GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT
ADVISORY TASK FORCE
2ND MEETING
SUMMARY**

Monday, February 28, 2005

Prepared by:

The Department of Natural Resources

Office of Conservation

Ground Water Resources Division Staff

Call to Order**Commission members in attendance:**

Darwin Knochenmus, Capital Area Groundwater Conservation District

Brad Spicer, the Department of Agriculture and Forestry

Advisory Task Force Members in Attendance:

Gene Coleman, the Sparta Groundwater Conservation District

Representative N. J. Damico, the Chair of the House Committee on Environment

Charles R. Demas, Louisiana District Chief, U.S.G.S., Water Resources Division

Don C. Dial, Capital Area Ground Water Conservation District

Dr. Timothy W. Duex, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Geology Department

Marshall “Mike” Goree, Louisiana Irrigation Association

Henry T. Graham, Jr., Louisiana Chemical Association

Robert B. Jackson, New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board

Randy P. Lancot, Executive Director of the Louisiana Wildlife Federation

Michael Lyons, Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association

Clarence Berken, Louisiana Rice Growers Association

Kyle McCann, Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation

Dr. William B. Richardson, Chancellor, L.S.U. Agricultural Center

Ronald J. Rodi, P.E., A Louisiana Engineering Society registered Engineer with Reservoir Experience

Brad Spicer, Assistant Commissioner for Soil & Water Conservation

James “Dennie” D. Williams, Association of Public Utilities (LA Electric Utility Association)

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Reports: There were no committee reports.

NEW BUSINESS

Definition of “Large Volume Well”

Concerns were focused around the rule being too broad by considering “...any size well...” a large volume well under certain conditions and how one would define adverse hydrologic effects. The authority to change the definition was questioned. The staff will take the comments under consideration and revisit the issue at a later date.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The meaning of “adverse hydrogeologic effects” was questioned. Mr. Darwin Knochenmus explained the word should be “hydrologic” rather than “hydrogeologic”. It was requested that the Ground Water Resources Division staff develop a definition of “adverse hydrologic effect” then present the definition to the Ground Water Resources Commission during their meeting on Monday, March 7, 2005, for their input. Mr. Anthony Duplechin stated that there may not be enough time to develop the definition before the Commission meeting.

Schedule for the next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled during the Ground Water Resources Commission meeting on Monday, March 7, 2005.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 P.M.